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Seasons Greetings

On behalf of the men and women of the State Fire Marshal's Office and the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council, we wish you and yours a safe and happy holiday season and all the best for 2003. As we pause to give thanks for our many blessings this holiday season, please take a moment to remember those who have been touched by the devastation of fire, especially our brothers and sisters who gave their lives in service to their communities.

*Capt. Mark A. Dougovito
State Fire Marshal*

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Fire Deaths

21 Fire Deaths Reported in October 2002

Name	Age	Sex	Date of Fire	Cause of Fire	Responding Fire Dept	Cause of Death	Smoke Detector Present	Smoke Detector Operational
Spencer, D.	6	F	1/24/02	accidental	Detroit/8207	smoke inhalation	unknown	
Marsh, J.	5	M	2/7/02	undetermined	Goodland Twp/4416	smoke inhalation	no	
Marsh, M.	4	M	2/7/02					
Dozier-Carthens, C.	54	F	2/11/02	unknown	Pontiac/6332	thermal burns	unknown	
Roy, A.	24	M	3/2/02	accidental	Detroit/8207	burns	unknown	
Everett, B.	32	M	4/17/02	undetermined	Detroit/8207	smoke inhalation	unknown	
Zmarzlik, H.	63	M	4/20/02	accidental		asphyxiation	NA(MVA)	
Romanowski Jr., S.	66	M	4/20/02					
Baranowski, B.	51	F	4/20/02					
Ward, C.	62	M	6/30/02	accidental	Grand Rapids/4112	burns	no	
Hemker, E.	79	M	8/9/02	accidental	Coldwater/1202	unknown	NA	
Miller, B.	32	F	8/3/02	arson	Saginaw/7312	smoke inhalation	yes	yes
Naves, E.	62	F	10/7/02	accidental	Beecher/2502	smoke inhalation	yes	no
Wilhelm, E.	77	F						
Royal, D.	74	F						
Caldwell, E.	88	F						
Taylor, R.	87	F						
Schlotterback, S.	19	F	10/12/02	undetermined	Comstock Twp/3904	smoke inhalation	no	
Dordon, J.	38	M	10/23/02	accidental	Holland Twp/7012	smoke inhalation	yes	no
Snyder, B.	41	M	10/27/02	accidental	Hillman/6003	unknown	no	
Snyder, B.	22	M						

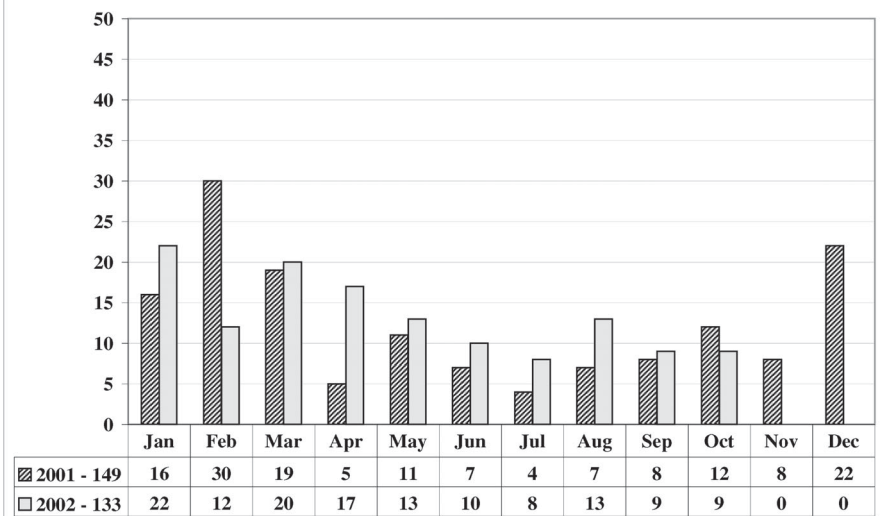
Send fire death information to Collene Shaner at shanercf@michigan.gov or by fax to 517.322.2908

Fire Fact of the Month

In 1998, children playing with fire started 67,490 fires that were reported to U.S. fire departments, causing an estimated 232 civilian deaths, 1,805 civilian injuries and \$234.7 million in direct property damage.

Source: NFPA

Fire Deaths by Month - Two Year Comparison



MFSIA Holds 54th Annual Education Conference

By Robert Sytsema, Western Vice President

The Michigan Fire Service Instructors Association held its 54th annual educational conference at the Traverse City Holiday Inn on October 18-22, 2002.

Those attending were able to hear presentations entitled "Power Point Poop-Out" (some of the tried and true "back up" instructional techniques are still pretty good); "Accountability"; and a hands-on session on "Attack Line Placement" where turn out clad instructors became the worker bees to demonstrate standpipe operations using several different attack lines and scenarios. Ray Hoff presented "Strategy and Tactics for the Company Officer", dealing with size-up and developing an action plan. Deputy Chief Kevin Gentry, J.D. spoke on "Liability Concerns and Legal Issues in Fire Service Training"; and Patty Caudill led a workshop on "Harassment on MY Training Ground—Protect Yourself from Liability". The VFIS staff led a Drivers Training Refresher Train-the-Trainer Course. And several hardy souls participated in a "Fire Streams" hands-on sectional where they experimented with different nozzles, flows, and pressures, and

basically tried to see how much water they could put back into Grand Traverse Bay.

Our keynote speaker was Bruce Pfaff, FEMA's USAR incident commander at Ground Zero in September, 2001. Bruce spoke about the response and operations of USAR teams which responded to New York, and presented many interesting considerations the average incident commander has never had to think about. Following this address, the Fire Fighters Training Council held its October meeting, and allowed those present to ask questions and make comments.

One of the highlights of the annual conference is the announcement of the Michigan Instructor of the Year. This year, Terry Massingill of Dundee was given that honor. Several Regional Instructor's of the Year were also named: Dick Caudill (UP), Cliff Boatwright (Northern), John Jeffries (Eastern), and Bob Austin (Western area). Each were presented with a plaque.

All officer positions were up for election this year. Officers elected to two-year terms were: President Bob Austin; Executive Vice

President Mike Cousins; Secretary Brian Bloomstrom; Treasurer Mike Greis; Upper Peninsula Vice President Robert Schwarz; Northern Vice President J.R. St. Croix; Eastern Vice President Ken Lawfield; Southern Vice President Ray Wilson; Western Vice President Bob Sytsema; Two-Year Trustees Bryce Tracy and Don Bigger. Pete Mata and Lenny Underwood were chosen to fill Four-Year Trustee positions.

The conference ended after a Sunday noon "round table" discussion of many topics of current interest to instructors, and of issues fire departments are facing in the area of training.



Terry Massingill receives the MFSIA Instructor of the Year Award from President Robert Austin



Clifford Boatwright receives the regional instructor of the year for the Northern Region



Richard Caudill receives the regional instructor of the year for the U.P. Region



John Jeffries receives the regional instructor of the year for the Eastern Region



Robert Austin receives the regional instructor of the year for the Western Region



Time is Running Out! Is your department ready for electronic filing?

By Mary Nemeth, NFIRS Program Manager

December 31, 2002 is the last day the state will accept paper forms for reporting NFIRS. Electronic filing will allow for more timely annual reports, as well as real time access to Michigan's data for investigation and public education purposes. Electronic filing improves the accuracy and reliability of the data entered.

Many vendor software packages for entering NFIRS data are on the market. A list of active vendors is located at <http://www.nfirs.fema.gov/activevendors.htm>.

Fire departments that cannot afford to purchase vendor software at the present time, can request a free copy of the USFA Data Entry Tool from Mary at nemethm@michigan.gov. The Data Entry Tool will allow a

department to enter incidents and send them to the state electronically. Internet access is required.

All fire departments registered to use the USFA Data Entry Tool should be using Version 5.2.1. All other versions of NFIRS 5.0 should be removed from your computer. The new version can be downloaded off the Internet by going to <http://www.nfirs.fema.gov> or call Mary and request the new version on a CD.

New Password Standard. If your department has been activated to use the NFIRS system, your password needs to be changed to contain a minimum of 8 characters, with at least one character being numeric. The standard will be enforced by FEMA beginning January 1, 2003.

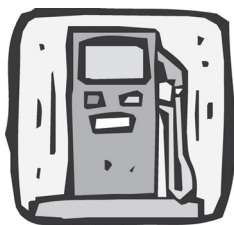
This requirement applies to both users of the USFA Data Entry Tool and the Bulk Import Utility.

Automatic User Account Deactivation. User accounts for the USFA Data Entry Tool or Bulk Import Utility will be automatically deactivated if there has not been a login for 60 days. To be reactivated, you must contact Mary Nemeth, State Program Manager. This procedure supports security of information access.

For 2000 Statewide Fire Statistics and the Michigan Fire Service Directory log on to www.michigan.gov/msp, click on Services to Governmental Agencies, then go to State Fire Marshal.

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General Interest



Peril at the Pump - Static Fire Hazard

You've seen the signs at your local gas mart warning of fire hazards: "Turn engine off," "No smoking", and "Don't use cell phones near pumps." But a bigger danger may come from just getting back into your car to grab your wallet or tend to the kids.

"When you get in the car, you create friction - usually between your clothes and the car seat - that generates static electricity. If you get out of the car and immediately touch the gas nozzle, a static spark could ignite fuel vapors and cause a fire," says Robert Renkes, vice president and General Counsel for the

Petroleum Equipment Institute (PEI), a Tulsa, Oklahoma based organization whose Stop Static program promotes awareness of this surprising hazard.

Since 1999, PEI has recorded roughly 125 cases - some resulting in serious injury - of static-sparked gas-pump fires and is working with gas stations to post warning signs. But the best ways to prevent these types of fires are simple:

1. When you get out to pump gas, don't get back in the car.
2. If you must get back in, ground yourself after you get out before you touch the nozzle.

Touching your car door, or any metal objects as long as it's away from the gas nozzle, will safely discharge any static build-up.

3. Pay attention to what you are doing, and play it safe during the fueling process. Turn off cell phones and other portable electronic devices that could cause a static spark, such as pagers and portable CD players.

For more information, log on to the PEI web site at www.pei.org.

Detroit Fire Department Honors Members

On Tuesday, October 8, 2002, the Detroit Fire Department honored three department members for acts of heroism performed in the line of duty at the 39th Annual Breakfast with the Detroit Fire Department.



Lt. Pedro Lopez was presented with the Department's two most distinguished awards; the

Detroit Fire Department Medal of Valor and the Detroit Fire Fighters Association's Earl J. Berry Medal of Valor, for his heroic display of courage, perseverance, bilingual skills and devotion to duty. In the early afternoon of December 8, 2001, Detroit Fire Fighters responded to a box alarm on Detroit's southwest side. Upon arrival, they discovered heavy black smoke coming from a single-family dwelling. A frantic Latino resident on the scene, speaking only Spanish, informed them that an elderly woman was trapped inside the burning dwelling. Without delay, Lt. Lopez initiated a search and rescue operation for the trapped occupant.

Undaunted by his unsuccessful attempts to gain entry through the steel front door, Lt. Lopez retreated to the rear of the dwelling where he was able to gain entry into the building. While searching through dense black smoke and intense heat for the trapped resident, Lt. Lopez's breathing tube became severed from his face piece. Determined to continue his search he removed his mask, and began breathing directly from his low-pressure tube. Lt. Lopez found an unconscious 78-year-old woman in a first floor bedroom

and removed her from the burning building to safety.

In spite of obvious exhaustion, Lt. Lopez assisted other fire fighters in administering oxygen and first aid to the victim.

Once the victim resumed consciousness, Lt. Lopez traveled to the hospital to translate, and spoke to the victim in Spanish to calm her and reassure her that everything was going to be okay. Undoubtedly, Lt. Lopez's quick actions, bravery, and total disregard for his own personal safety enabled him to save the senior citizen's life.



AEMT Gerard Pittman was awarded the Emergency Medical Service Eugene M.

Holmes Medal of Valor for his swift actions, accurate diagnosis, and exemplary application of skills. During the early morning of June 1, 2002, Emergency Mobile Service Medic Unit 2 was dispatched to respond to an emergency medical code #1 located on Detroit's west side. Upon arrival, Paramedic Pittman and EMT Brian Bently found a 36-year-old female in medical distress, sweating profusely and complaining of chest pains. After a quick assessment they discovered that she had a heart rate that was racing three times the normal rate. Paramedic Pittman was also able to ascertain that the patient had high blood pressure, was a diabetic, and had a heart attack in the past. After performing an EKG, Paramedic Pittman was able to assess that she was experiencing a lethal heart rhythm. Realizing the impending danger to his patient, he performed an Emergency

Synchronized Cardioversion. As a result of these advanced life support procedures, the patient escaped the inevitable lethal effects of cardiac arrest and made a full recovery.



Lt. Marvin Massey was awarded the Detroit Firemen's Fund Association's Meritorious

Medallion Award for his prompt response and life saving actions. On the afternoon of January 16, 2001, while off duty, Lt. Massey was visiting his fellow fire fighters at firehouse Engine 40 when a car pulled up onto the ramp with the driver incessantly blowing its horn. Lt. Massey quickly ran outside to investigate and found a frantic mother with an unconscious child in her vehicle. The woman explained that her teenaged handicapped son had choked on a piece of hot dog.

Without hesitation, Lt. Massey removed the young man from the vehicle and swept his throat, dislodging the trapped food. Unfortunately, the teen was still not breathing. Lt. Massey and the fire fighters assigned to Tactical Mobile Squad Co. 5 loaded their patient into the rescue squad and raced to Sinai-Grace Hospital. While en route to the hospital, Lt. Massey performed CPR until the young man was able to breathe on his own.

Fortunately, the young man survived the ordeal. Later it was learned that he was the son of a fellow Detroit Fire Fighter. If not for Lt. Massey's swift actions, assessment and exemplary application of skills, the teen would have died within minutes.





What Would You Do If Your Clothes Caught On Fire?

By Tom Kiurski, Livonia Fire/Rescue

As a fire fighter for Livonia Fire/Rescue, one of my job responsibilities is going out into the community to talk to groups about fire safety. One afternoon, I went to talk to a preschool group of about 25 children. Preschool groups are one of our most popular groups, so these presentations are almost “automatic” for me after 20 years in the fire service.

While I usually refrain from calling on preschoolers during the presentation, I do welcome some input when I ask some fairly simple questions, such as the emergency telephone number to call or fire safety behaviors they usually know.

When I asked the group what they would do if their clothes were on fire, I saw almost every hand go up. Expecting the

answer “Stop, Drop and Roll”, I would then demonstrate and give them the opportunity to practice. However, I was laughing uncontrollably when I called on one of the boys. His response about what to do if his clothes were on fire? “I wouldn’t put them on!”

MSP Fire Investigation Training

Fire Investigation I School (formerly Basic) – 80 Hours

Spring Session: April 14-25, 2003

Application Deadline: January 24, 2003

Fall Session: September 8-19, 2003

Application Deadline: June 20, 2003

Tuition: \$500 – Covers meals, lodging, and all training materials
Students are responsible for their own transportation and necessary work equipment.
Students selected for training will receive a list of necessary equipment.
\$700 – non-resident

Fire Investigation II School (formerly Advanced) – 40 Hours

March 17-21, 2003

Application Deadline: February 21, 2003

Tuition: \$250 – Covers meals, lodging, and all training materials.
Students are responsible for their own transportation and necessary work equipment.
\$350 – non-resident
Prerequisite: Students **must** have attended the Fire Marshal Division Fire Investigation I School (formerly Basic) or equivalent. See below for equivalency information.

Vehicle Fire Investigation School – 40 Hours

Dates to be announced.

Tuition: \$250 – Covers meals, lodging, and all training materials
Students are responsible for their own work equipment.
\$350 – non-resident
Prerequisite: Students **must** have attended the Fire Marshal Division Fire Investigation I School (formerly Basic) or an equivalent. See below for equivalency information.

Arson Follow-Up School – 40 Hours

Winter Session: February 10-14, 2003

Application Deadline: January 10, 2003

Summer Session: August 18-22, 2003

Application Deadline: July 18, 2003

Tuition: \$250 – Covers meals, lodging, and all training materials
Students are responsible for their own transportation.
\$350 – non-resident

NOTE: This school is open only to police and public safety officers. **It does not instruct fire origin and cause determination.** This school teaches those skills necessary to continue an investigation once a fire has been determined to be arson by a qualified investigator.

2003 Fire Investigation Training Application may be downloaded from Fire Marshal Division web site at www.michigan.gov/msp

Michigan Fire Departments Secure Fire Act Grants

The United States Fire Administration recently announced the 7th round Fire Act recipients for 2002. Through October 15, a total of 2,756 fire departments nationwide have received grants amounting to \$170,660,864. More than 19,500 fire departments applied for 2002 grants. It is anticipated that

approximately 5,500 fire departments will receive awards before the end of the current calendar year, representing a \$360 million investment in the nation's fire departments.

So far, eighty (80) Michigan fire departments have received awards totaling \$3,770,170 in areas of Fire Operations and

Firefighter Safety, Fire Prevention, Firefighting Vehicles and EMS.

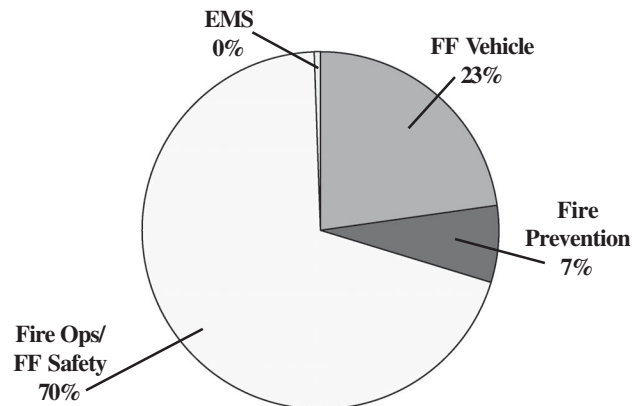
Congratulations to those departments who have won awards and we hope to see more through the end of this year.

For additional information on the Fire Act Grant, log onto www.usfa.fema.gov/grants.



Ada Township FD	Ada	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$69,309	Orangeville Twp Vol FD	Shelbyville	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$112,508
Akron FD	Akron	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$33,778	Otter Lake Vol FD	Chassell	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$14,400
Algonac FD	Algonac	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$28,476	Porter Twp FD	Union	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$48,237
Allegan FD	Allegan	Fire Prevention	\$8,391	Quincy-Franklin-Hancock	TwpHancock	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$30,240
Argentine Twp F/R	Linden	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$42,188	Republic Twp FD	Republic	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$5,850
Atlas Twp FD	Goodrich	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$18,000	Sands Twp FD	Gwinn	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$10,898
Bangor Comm. FD	Bangor	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$22,819	Sherman Twp FD	Ruth	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$38,196
Berlin Twp FD	Allenton	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$47,430	Sherman Twp Vol FD		Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$8,100
Cannon Twp FD	Rockford	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$35,663	Sigel Twp FD	Harbor Beach	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$30,745
Carp Lake Twp FD	Carp Lake	Firefighting Vehicle	\$169,810	Springfield FD	Springfield	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$40,181
Ch. Twp of Comstock F/R	Galesburg	Fire Prevention	\$28,800	St Joseph FD	St. Joseph	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$99,225
City of Ann Arbor	Ann Arbor	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$172,387	Stanton Twp Vol FD Inc.	Houghton	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$43,200
City of Charlevoix	Charlevoix	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$3,231	Sugar Island Twp Vol FD	SS Marie	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$25,191
Clear Lake FD	West Branch	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$37,874	Superior Twp FD		Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$12,539
Crystal Falls FD	Crystal Falls	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$49,896	Tamarack City VFD	Hubbell	Firefighting Vehicle	\$148,500
Crystal Twp FD	Hart	Firefighting Vehicle	\$67,500	Tawas City FD	Tawas City	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$50,400
Deerfield Twp FD	Mt. Pleasant	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$33,143	ThornappleTwp ES	Middleville	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$99,561
Duncan Twp Vol FD	Sidnaw	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$39,669	Twp of Home FD	Edmore	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$36,450
Eagle Harbor VFD	Eagle Harbor	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$6,197	Twp of Kalamazoo FD	Kalamazoo	Fire Prevention	\$33,480
East Grand Lake FD	Presque Isle	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$13,545	Trout Creek FD	Trout Creek	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$16,553
Eau Claire FD	Eau Claire	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$13,968	Watersmeet Vol FD	Watersmeet	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$39,204
Elba Township FD	Lapeer	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$40,500	Watervliet FD	Watervliet	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$22,500
Ferrysburg FD	Ferrysburg	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$66,474	Wolverine Vol FD	Wolverine	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$66,870
Frederic Twp Vol FD	Frederic	Emergency Medical Services	\$17,190	Yale FD	Yale	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$21,190
Garfield Twp Vol FD	Fife Lake	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$43,704			TOTAL	\$3,770,170
Gibraltar FD	Gibraltar	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$7,020				
Goodland Twp FD	Imlay City	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$14,913				
Graafschap FD	Holland	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$99,900				
Grandville FD	Grandville	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$11,790				
Grosse Pte Shore DPS	Grosse Pte Sh	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$24,394				
Hanover Twp FD	Hanover	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$21,024				
Harbor Springs Area FD	Harbor Springs	Firefighting Vehicle	\$54,000				
Hartland Twp FD	Hartland	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$11,641				
Hiawatha Twp Vol FD	Manistiquie	Firefighting Vehicle	\$292,500				
Hillsdale City FD	Hillsdale	Fire Prevention	\$30,205				
Holland FD	Holland	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$26,183				
Howard City FD	Howard City	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$37,908				
Kalamazoo DPS	Kalamazoo	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$180,600				
Laurium FD	Laurium	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$16,638				
Luzerne Vol FD	Luzerne	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$28,134				
Maple Grove FD	New Lothrop	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$19,022				
Maple Rapids FD	Maple Rapids	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$39,037				
Marlette Comm. FD	Marlette	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$73,260				
Marquette City F/R	Marquette	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$29,421				
Marshall FD	Marshall	Fire Prevention	\$6,930				
Meridian Twp FD	Okemos	Fire Prevention	\$40,500				
Merritt Area FD	Merritt	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$54,324				
Mid Michigan Comm. FD	Saint Louis	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$49,840				
Morin Point FD	Erie	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$4,500				
Mount Morris Twp	Mount Morris	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$49,525				
Muskegon Heights FD	Muskegon Hts	Fire Prevention	\$46,270				
Northfield Twp FD	Whitmore Lake	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$19,899				
Norway Vol FD	Norway	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$60,426				
Oakfield Twp FD	Rockford	Fire Prevention	\$65,821				
Ogemaw FD	West Branch	Firefighting Vehicle	\$130,081				
Ontonagon Vol FD	Ontonagon	Fire Operations/FF Safety	\$60,300				

2002 Fire Act Grant Awards Michigan Recipient Categories (through 11/1/02)



MAPC Juvenile Arson Conference



Michigan Arson Prevention Committee Juvenile Affairs Sub-Committee

presents

The 13th Annual Juvenile Arson Conference

DATE: January 22, 23, 24, 2003

LOCATION: Valley Plaza Resort
5221 Bay City Road
Midland, MI 48642-6098

Directions – I-17 at Bay City Road

Room Rate \$70.00 Single or \$80.00 Double.

Please state reservations are for MAPC to get this rate.

Price includes full breakfast each morning.

Reservations: (800) 825-2700

SEMINAR FEE - \$160 Per Person (substitutions welcome) Covers three days' instruction, lunch on Days 1 and 2, and coffee breaks. A fee of \$160 will be charged until January 1. **Entries postmarked after January 1st must include a \$25 late charge.** Registration to begin at 8:00 a.m. on the first day.

PROGRAM

Wednesday, January 22, 2003

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
Michigan Safe Schools
Donald Weatherspoon, Ph.D., Assistant Superintendent, Michigan Department of Education
- 10:00 a.m. Juvenile Law
Debra Carley, Chief Assistant Prosecutor, Oakland County
- Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. NFPA 1035 - Professional Standards and Related Issues
Gerry DeMillo, Fire Safety Educator, Portland Maine

Thursday, January 23, 2003

- 8:00 a.m. Great Lakes Burn Camp
Ron Mills, Treasurer, Great Lakes Burn Camp Coalition
- 9:00 a.m. Fire at the High School
David Morse, Prosecutor - Livingston County
- 11:00 a.m. Children With Burn Injuries
Pamela Pucci, RN, BSN, University of Michigan Trauma Burn Center
- Buffet Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. Forensic Interviewing of Children
Debra Poole, Ph.D
Author, Michigan's Forensic Interview Protocol

Friday, January 24, 2003

- 8:00 a.m. "A Proactive Approach" - Addressing JFS In The Classroom
Kathleen Lange, Investigator, Orange County California

OBJECTIVES - A continuing education for personnel involved in juvenile arson and an introduction to Juvenile Firesetting Programs. Continuing Education credit will be granted by Macomb Community College.

CERTIFICATION - Each attendee will be awarded with a certification of attendance for framing.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY / ZIP _____ WORK PHONE (_____) _____

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MFFTC Meeting Summary

By Gregory Kirt, Director of Training

Members Present: The October 18, 2002 meeting of the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council (MFFTC), was held in conjunction with the Michigan Fire Service Instructors in Traverse City at the Holiday Inn. Council members present: Chairman Michael J. Burke, Gerald B. Alward, William D. Anderson, Terrence H. Chesney, Capt. Mark A. Dougovito and Thad N. Taylor. Excused: Vice Chair Kenneth W. Eagle.

Staff Present: Gregory Kirt, Director of Training; Mary Egner, Recording Secretary; James Porcello, Programs Administrator; Deward Beeler, Region 3 Supervisor; Gary Crum, Region 2 Supervisor; Mike Greis, Curriculum Specialist; and George Lutz, Testing and Certification Specialist.

Guests Present: 25 guests were in attendance.

FFI, IL, and I&IL, 4th Edition

Essentials: The new Instructor Preparation Guidelines and the new Student Requirements were implemented starting with the 2003 Training Year, October 1, 2002. Many positive comments have been received on the new Score Summary Report that is now being provided. The report is broken down by chapter (subject area) and assists the Course Manager in analyzing class results, which are based on student scores for the written test.

MFFTC County Training

Committee Updates: MFFTC Training Coordinators have completed updates in 34 counties and 31 more are scheduled so far. In addition to CTC members; area instructors, fire chiefs and training officers are also invited to attend. An update is provided on

MFFTC programs and services, including changes anticipated for the coming year. Time is always provided for questions and group discussion. Contact your CTC, MFFTC Training Coordinator or Region Supervisor for information on meetings in your area.

MFFTC Web Site A Success:

The Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council (MFFTC) web site went online in December 2001. Virtually all MFFTC programs, services and related information are now accessible through the site. Since going online, we are pleased to announce that we have been averaging over 1,000 visitors a month and volume is continuing to increase. We invite all fire departments and fire service organizations to link to the MFFTC web site. The MFFTC would like to assist your fire department or organization by helping our visitors find you. Visit us at www.mfftc.org.

Latest Count of Michigan Fire

Fighters and Fire Departments:

The MFFTC now has the ability to identify individuals who have multiple fire department memberships. As of October 5, 2002 there is a total of 30,998 fire fighters. This is 1,570 fewer than the 32,568 reported a year ago because each individual is counted instead of memberships on each department. Fire Fighters are grouped into three categories: Paid (8,523), Part Paid (17,534) and Non-paid (4,941). There are a total of 1,075 fire departments which are grouped into the following categories: Paid (62), Part paid (183), Non-paid (68) and Combination (762).

Instructor Policy Revised:

Contained within the Instructor Policy is an exemption pertaining

to certified instructors who teach only within their department. The Fire Chief can report the training that is being delivered in-house by an instructor, thus allowing him or her to maintain certified instructor status. Council approved first reading of a change to the policy that would require the Fire Chief to submit their request for exemption on a form provided by Council instead of free format on letterhead; and submit annually instead of every three years.

Training Coordinators Pay

Raise: Training Coordinators currently receive \$24/hour. They are required to provide their own transportation, meals and lodging out of wages received. The last pay raise they received was two years ago in the amount of \$1.00 per hour. Due to the increasing cost of living, Council approved an increase in their pay rate from \$24/hour to \$25/hour with an effective date of October 1, 2002.

Instructor Applications: Council approved 28 Probationary Instructors and 16 upgrades to Certified Instructor and one new Wildland Fire Instructor.

Meeting Attendance & Activities:

The Director participated in the following: August 15, EXPO, Executive Committee, Lansing; August 20 Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs, Lansing; August 22, Michigan Homeland Security Task Force, Lansing; September 4, Genesee County Training Committee, Flint Township; September 9, State Emergency Response Commission Retreat, E. Lansing; September 12, EXPO Executive Work Session, E. Lansing; September 25, Michigan Homeland Security Task Force, Lansing; September 28, U.P. Fire Chiefs Association, Quinnesec;

October 2-6, North American Fire Training Directors, State College, PA; October 8, State Emergency Response Commission, Crystal Mountain; October 10, Southeastern Michigan Fire Chiefs Association, Frankenmuth; October 18, Michigan Fire Service Instructors Assoc. Conf., Traverse City.

Public Comment: V.P. Michael Cousins, Michigan Fire Service Instructors Association: On behalf of the Instructors Association, Mr. Cousins welcomed the Council members and thanked them for conducting the October Council meeting in conjunction with the Association's annual conference.

Mr. Cousins also stated that the MFSIA had sent a letter to the Training Council in July 2002 offering the Association's assistance, free of charge, to be part of a committee effort to address testing problems with the FFI&II, 4th Edition. He was disappointed that the MFFTC letter of response declined the offer of assistance. His interpretation of the letter was that the MFFTC, in effect, had said to the Association's offer of help, "Thanks but no thanks." He had hoped the MFSIA could have been more involved with assisting the MFFTC staff with the testing issue.

Director Kirt responded by again thanking Mr. Cousins and the MFSIA for the offer of assistance and expressed surprise that the MFFTC letter of response had been misinterpreted. He explained that MFFTC staff had already compiled the majority of statistical data and responses from the Instructor Course Surveys when the offer of assistance was received. The MFFTC analysis of the data did not reveal there were problems with the IFSTA Curriculum or the PTS Test Bank that were responsible for the drop

in test scores. This finding was further reinforced when various other states were contacted, and it was learned they had gone through experiences very similar to Michigan's, when they first implemented use of the PTS Test Bank and implementation of the IFSTA, 4th Edition curriculum. Regarding the testing issue, there simply wasn't a need for further assistance; however, MFFTC will not hesitate to call upon the MFSIA in the future anytime there is a need. Chairman Burke echoed Director Kirt's sentiments and stressed the importance of the Instructors Association to the delivery of Council programs.

Joe Boldys, Macomb Community College: Mr. Boldys asked whether there were any problems encountered with the PTS product. Director Kirt responded that to his knowledge, there were none. Director Kirt went on to say that the PTS Test Bank is solid; and since Michigan adopted it, two additional states have begun using PTS, bringing the total number of states using the product up to 46.

Mr. Boldys also inquired about a rumor he had heard regarding the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards taking over the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council. Director Kirt responded that to his knowledge there was no validity to this rumor. Captain Dougovito added that there is nothing that he is aware of indicating a change to the Training Council structure. Both Chairman Burke and Director Kirt made it clear that the rumor Mr. Boldys asked about was just that—a rumor.

Joe Edgerton, Genesee County Instructors Association: Mr. Edgerton thanked Director Kirt, Programs Administrator Porcello,

Region Supervisor Beeler and Training Coordinator Callahan for attending the Genesee County Instructors Association meeting to address concerns with the drop in test scores for FF I&II courses. Their efforts were greatly appreciated, and the information was beneficial to everyone who attended.

Kevin Sehlmeier, Grand Rapids Fire Department: Mr. Sehlmeier has been asked by students whether Council intended to adopt new Fire Officer III and IV certification courses in the future. Director Kirt indicated that Council's last directive to staff was to obtain copies of the Maryland Fire and Rescue Institute's Fire Officer III and IV certification courses when they are published and become available for review and evaluation. When this occurs it will again be necessary to establish an instructor review committee as was done with the MFRI, Fire Officer I and II courses that Council adopted.

Mr. Sehlmeier also asked if the sunset date of September 30, 2003 on the old NFA/MFFTC Fire Officer I and II certifications would be extended. Chairman Burke answered that extending the sunset date on the old Fire Officer I and II had not been discussed by Council.

Council Comment: Chairman Burke: Chairman Burke thanked the Michigan Fire Service Instructors Association for inviting the MFFTC. He also congratulated the following instructors of the year:

Regional Instructors of the Year
Dick Caudill
Cliff Boatright
John Jeffries
Bob Austin
State Instructor of the Year
Terry Massingill
T. Taylor: Councilman

Taylor thanked the MFSIA for the invitation extended to Council and encouraged Association members to contact the MFFTC if they have any questions or concerns so that the issues can be addressed in a timely fashion.

W. Anderson: Councilman Anderson also thanked the MFSIA for their hospitality. He asked Director Kirt how many students successfully completed MFFTC programs and received certificates in 2001. Director Kirt responded that 21,370 certificates were issued in 2001.

G. Alward: Councilman Alward stressed that the instructors are

the hub of training. If it wasn't for the dedicated instructors, the training in the State of Michigan would not be of the caliber it is today. He also announced that his MFFTC term as a representative of the Michigan Fire Chiefs Association ends in December.

M. Dougovito: Councilman Dougovito thanked the MFSIA for including Council as part of their annual conference and said he had enjoyed meeting many of the members.

T. Chesney: Councilman Chesney expressed his appreciation to the MFSIA. He also thanked Director Kirt and the

MFFTC staff for all they have done to keep the Council constantly moving forward in spite of all the extra work involved.

Chairman Burke: Chairman Burke closed the meeting by encouraging anyone who has questions about Council operations to contact Director Kirt or any of the Council members or staff. Having accurate and complete information will keep rumors to a minimum. Meeting adjourned.



Homework: Fire Fighter I & II Courses – Training Year 2003

By Deward Beeler, Region 3 Supervisor

Q. I am a Course Manager for a Fire Fighter I & II program that began October 1. While filling in my Student Activity Record, I noticed there is only one column to record the homework scores for each lesson. Which homework grades do you want me to record, the new "Mandatory Pre-Class Homework Assignment" scores or the grade results for the Chapter Review Test assignments found in the Student Application Workbooks?

A. Effective with the 2003 training year, the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council (MFFTC) has changed the homework assign-

ments for the Fire Fighter I, II, and I & II. **The Chapter Review Tests in the Student Applications Workbooks are no longer being used for homework.**

Homework is now referred to as Mandatory Pre-Class Homework Assignments. Students are required to read the appropriate chapter (pages of assigned reading in the Essentials of Fire Fighting, 4th Edition Manual) before the scheduled class and complete the 15 mandatory pre-class homework questions.

The pre-class homework questions are to be graded in class and may be retained by the student. The score (percentage of correct answers) is to be entered on the Student Activity Record. Please refer to specific instructions on the back of the form.

The change in homework questions from the Chapter Review Test to the Mandatory Pre-Class Homework Assignment was brought about in large part by input received from instructors who participated in 2002, Essentials 4th Edition training year classes.

When a Course Manager registers a 2003 training course (FFI, II, or I & II), the mandatory pre-class homework questions (Handout # 5) for each chapter are included in the Student Handout Packet which is to be distributed at the Orientation lesson (NOTE: the MFFTC ships enough packets for each student in the class; it is not necessary for the Course Manager to copy packets for students).

Students should read the Information Sheets in the IFSTA, Student Applications Workbook when they are included in the chapter.

Students should also read the Practical Activity Sheets and Job Sheets in the Student Applications Workbook, as assigned by MFFTC, Student Handout # 4.

Although not mandatory, the MFFTC **STRONGLY RECOMMENDS** students complete the Study Sheets in the Student Applications Workbook for each chapter.

NOTE: Previous *Issues & Answers* columns are posted at www.mfftc.org.

If you have questions pertaining to the programs and services provided by the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council that you would like addressed in this column, please contact your MFFTC Region Supervisor listed on the back page of *Fire TIES*. If you have a question, no doubt there are many others who probably have the same question. We look forward to hearing from you!



MI Fire Fighters Training Council Registered Training

Special Attention: FF-I and/or II courses are retained on this list based on "End Date" to allow scheduling of retests and challenge tests. All other courses appear on this list based on "Start Date".

Start Date Time	End Date	Co.	Location	Course Manager	Phone
FIRE FIGHTER – BASIC					
Fire Fighter I					
09/28/02 8:00am	02/22/03	53	Ludington	Steven Johnson	231.845.4488
09/30/02 7:00pm	04/12/03	15	East Jordan	Anthony Postmus	231.547.2770
10/08/02 7:00pm	04/19/03	14	Dowagiac	Michael Mattix	269.782.9563
10/10/02 7:00pm	03/04/03	79	Caro	Laurence Boitel	989.673.2120
10/12/02 9:00am	04/12/03	52	Marquette	Thomas Kidd	906.475.4144
10/21/02 6:30pm	05/17/03	36	Iron River	Thomas Ivey	906.265.1093
10/22/02 7:00pm	04/29/03	05	Mancelona	Edward Sayre	231.587.5311
11/02/02 9:00am	03/01/03	62	Newaygo	Louis Evans	231.796.2623
11/09/02 7:00pm	04/19/03	64	Hart	Jack White	231.873.4337
11/11/02 7:00pm	05/10/03	16	Indian River	Kurt Hadden	231.238.9471
11/19/02 7:00pm	04/26/03	80	Mattawan	Wayne Blaylock	269.764.1768
12/02/02 7:00pm	05/19/03	41	Gowen	Robert Vandermeij	616.794.1340
12/04/02 6:30pm	05/10/03	02	Wetmore	Kenneth Swajenen	906.387.2822
12/10/02 7:00pm	04/22/03	32	Bad Axe	Craig Enderle	989.678.0901
02/24/03 7:00pm	05/30/03	74	Lakeport	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
Fire Fighter II					
01/06/03 6:00pm	04/10/03	50	Armada Township	Shawn Knight	248.588.3605
Fire Fighter I & II Exam					
01/14/03 6:00pm	01/15/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
Fire Fighter I & II					
09/03/02 6:00pm	05/18/03	50	Clinton Township	Joseph Boldys	586.498.4021
09/04/02 6:00pm	03/22/03	41	Kentwood	Mark Smith	616.554.0800
09/17/02 7:00pm	04/28/03	44	Lapeer	Blaine Howell	810.793.7656
09/23/02 9:00am	03/15/03	63	Rochester Hills	Ronald Crowell	248.841.2706
09/23/02 9:00am	04/05/03	25	Flint	Robert Johnson	810.742.2158
09/23/02 6:00pm	04/05/03	25	Flint	Gary Bacon	810.640.2000
09/23/02 6:00pm	04/12/03	25	Swartz Creek	Dale Caten	810.629.1911
09/23/02 6:30pm	03/15/03	63	Rochester Hills	Ronald Crowell	248.841.2706
09/23/02 6:30pm	03/29/03	78	Laingsburg	Guy Hubbard	517.202.0130
09/23/02 7:00pm	04/26/03	80	Lawrence	Patricia Quinn	269.764.3226
09/24/02 7:00pm	04/19/03	11	Berrien Springs	Elwood Munson Jr	269.465.3803
10/01/02 7:00pm	02/22/03	81	Ann Arbor	James Payeur	734.944.8191
10/01/02 6:00pm	03/01/03	33	Holt	Patrick Brown	517.694.3327
10/02/02 7:00pm	04/26/03	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572
10/03/02 6:00pm	03/01/03	37	Mt.Pleasant	Dan Needham	989.773.2311
10/05/02 8:00am	05/10/03	08	Hastings	Richard Krouse	269.945.5384
10/07/02 6:00pm	05/10/03	55	Stephenson	Daniel Hammerberg	906.497.5094
10/07/02 6:30pm	04/19/03	63	Highland	James Crunk	248.887.9050
10/07/02 7:00pm	04/05/03	63	Troy	James Shank	248.232.4580
10/07/02 7:00pm	03/01/03	70	Zeeland	Thomas Gerencer	616.842.5988
10/08/02 6:30pm	04/26/03	61	Muskegon	Andy Casperson	231.780.2500
10/14/02 8:00am	04/05/03	28	Traverse City	Timothy Wrede	231.922.4840
10/14/02 6:00pm	05/03/03	41	Belmont	Steven McKellar	616.361.2895
10/15/02 7:00pm	03/01/03	70	Ferrysburg	Thomas Gerencer	616.842.5988
10/28/02 12:00pm	05/18/03	46	Adrian	Douglas Betz	517.265.6560
11/04/02 7:00pm	05/04/03	46	Adrian	Douglas Betz	517.265.6560
11/11/02 8:00am	04/26/03	73	Saginaw	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
11/11/02 8:30am	04/26/03	73	Saginaw	Raymond Wilson	989.792.9691
11/11/02 6:30pm	04/26/03	73	Saginaw	Raymond Wilson	989.792.9691
11/11/02 7:00pm	05/04/03	58	Lasalle	Phillip Lindenmuth Sr	734.942.3603
11/11/02 7:00pm	05/04/03	58	Rockwood	Ralph Woodbury Jr	734.241.1626
11/21/02 6:00pm	05/17/03	63	Holly	Jerry Hobson	248.634.7722
12/02/02 6:30pm	04/27/03	47	Hartland	Adam Carroll	810.632.7676
12/02/02 7:00pm	05/03/03	09	Bay City	Robert Kuehne Jr	989.529.0223
12/02/02 7:00pm	06/06/03	72	Roscommon	John Patchin	989.859.8258
12/02/02 7:00pm	06/14/03	56	Midland	Richard Ripke	989.689.4637
12/03/02 9:00am	06/14/03	19	DeWitt	Frederick Koos	517.669.0071
12/03/02 7:00pm	04/19/03	17	Kincheloe	Pat McMahon	906.495.5171
12/03/02 6:30pm	06/14/03	23	Charlotte	Casey Godlewski	517.627.1157
01/06/03 6:30pm	06/14/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
01/14/03 2:00pm	04/26/03	17	Sault Ste Marie	Terry Heyns	906.635.2726
01/15/03 3:00pm	04/26/03	17	Sault Ste Marie	Terry Heyns	906.635.2726

APPARATUS

Apparatus & Pump Operations - FFI & II					
06/05/03 6:00pm	06/26/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313

DRIVER TRAINING

Driver Training					
01/19/03 12:00pm	01/20/03	51	Filer	Michael Cederholm	231.946.4593
02/22/03 8:00am	02/22/03	50	Clinton Township	Joseph Boldys	586.498.4021
02/22/03 9:00am	02/22/03	62	Newaygo	Louis Evans	231.796.2623
02/25/03 7:00am	02/27/03	81	Ann Arbor	James Payeur	734.944.8191
03/06/03 7:00pm	03/11/03	14	Dowagiac	Michael Mattix	269.782.9563
03/15/03 9:00am	03/15/03	74	Berlin Twp.	Shawn Knight	248.588.3605
03/22/03 9:00am	03/22/03	52	Marquette	Thomas Kidd	906.475.4144
03/24/03 7:00pm	03/27/03	80	Lawrence	Patricia Quinn	269.764.3226
04/05/03 8:00am	04/05/03	63	Highland	James Crunk	248.887.9050
04/05/03 8:00am	04/06/03	63	Holly	Jerry Hobson	248.634.7722
04/05/03 8:00am	04/05/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
04/07/03 7:00pm	04/10/03	44	Lapeer	Blaine Howell	810.793.7656
04/12/03 8:00am	04/13/03	47	Hartland	Adam Carroll	810.632.7676
04/21/03 7:00pm	04/24/03	46	Adrian	Douglas Betz	517.265.6560
05/03/03 8:00am	05/03/03	56	Midland	Richard Ripke	989.689.4637
05/03/03 8:00am	05/03/03	73	Saginaw	Raymond Wilson	989.792.9691

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05/08/03 7:00pm	05/15/03	09	Bay City	Robert Kuehne Jr	989.529.0223
05/31/03 8:00am	05/31/03	74	Lakeport	John Jeffries	810.989.5753

ARSON DETECTION/FIRE INVESTIGATION

Detection Of Arson And Suspicious Fires					
01/18/03 9:00am	01/19/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
02/01/03 8:00am	02/02/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
02/21/03 6:00pm	02/22/03	53	Ludington	Steven Johnson	231.845.4488
02/24/03 8:00am	02/25/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/01/03 8:00am	03/02/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
03/22/03 9:00am	03/23/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
03/22/03 8:00am	03/23/03	39	Climax	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
04/04/03 6:00pm	04/05/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
04/11/03 6:30pm	04/12/03	29	Ithaca	Kenneth Smith	810.236.2012
Intro. To Fire Insp. Principles & Practices					
02/01/03 8:00am	02/02/03	53	Ludington	Steven Johnson	231.845.4488
02/15/03 8:00am	02/16/03	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572
02/17/03 8:00am	02/18/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/08/03 9:00am	03/09/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
03/08/03 8:00am	03/09/03	03	Allegan	Paul Baker	269.673.0468
03/15/03 8:00am	03/16/03	41	Belmont	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/15/03 8:00am	03/16/03	29	Ithaca	Kenneth Smith	810.236.2012
03/29/03 8:00am	03/30/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
03/29/03 8:00am	03/30/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
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FIRE OFFICER

Fire Officer I					
01/06/03 7:00pm	03/20/03	63	Novi	Ronald Deadman	248.232.4580
Fire Officer II					
01/07/03 6:30pm	04/15/03	78	Corunna	Guy Hubbard	517.202.0130
01/15/03 7:00pm	04/30/03	63	Auburn Hills	Ronald Deadman	248.232.4580

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Haz Mat First Responder - Awareness					
12/17/02 9:00am	12/17/02	19	DeWitt	Frederick Koos	517.669.0071
12/17/02 6:30pm	12/17/02	23	Charlotte	Casey Godlewski	517.627.1157
12/19/02 6:00pm	12/19/02	55	Stephenson	Daniel Hammerberg	906.497.5094
12/21/02 9:00am	12/21/02	63	Troy	James Shank	248.232.4580
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01/07/03 6:00pm	01/07/03	50	Clinton Township	Joseph Boldys	586.498.4021
01/08/03 6:00pm	01/08/03	76	Sandusky	Tom Dickensheets	810.679.4820
01/09/03 6:30pm	01/09/03	61	Muskegon	Andy Casperson	231.780.2500
01/14/03 6:00pm	01/14/03	13	Marshall	Steven Wart	269.579.4338
01/18/03 8:00am	01/18/03	73	Saginaw	Raymond Wilson	989.792.9691
01/21/03 8:00am	01/30/03	17	Sault Ste Marie	Terry Heyns	906.635.2726
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MI Fire Fighters Training Council Registered Training

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02/06/03	7:00pm	02/15/03	70	Ferrysburg	Thomas Gerencer	616.842.5988
02/06/03	7:00pm	02/15/03	70	Zeeland	Thomas Gerencer	616.842.5988
02/12/03	8:00am	02/12/03	33	Holt	Patrick Brown	517.694.3327
02/13/03	6:00pm	02/20/03	37	Mt.Pleasant	Dan Needham	989.773.2311
02/22/03	8:00am	03/08/03	41	Kentwood	Mark Smith	616.554.0800
02/24/03	09:00am	03/06/03	63	Rochester Hills	Ronald Crowell	248.841.2706
02/24/03	06:30pm	03/06/03	63	Rochester Hills	Ronald Crowell	248.841.2706
03/03/03	08:00am	03/15/03	28	Traverse City	Timothy Wrede	231.922.4840
03/06/03	07:00pm	03/23/03	44	Lapeer	Blaine Howell	810.793.7656
03/10/03	06:00pm	03/31/03	50	Armada Township	Shawn Knight	248.588.3605
03/12/03	06:30pm	03/16/03	72	Roscommon	John Patchin	989.859.8258
03/16/03	08:00am	04/06/03	46	Adrian	Douglas Betz	517.265.6560
03/21/03	08:00am	03/24/03	17	Kincheloe	Pat McMahon	906.495.5171
03/24/03	6:00pm	04/17/03	41	Belmont	Steven McKellar	616.361.2895
03/27/03	06:00pm	04/12/03	63	Highland	James Crunk	248.887.9050
03/29/03	08:30am	04/12/03	73	Saginaw	Raymond Wilson	989.792.9691
04/01/03	9:00am	04/06/03	23	Charlotte	Casey Godlewski	517.627.1157
04/01/03	9:00am	04/06/03	19	DeWitt	Frederick Koots	517.669.0071
04/05/03	08:00am	04/12/03	09	Bay City	Robert Kuehne Jr	989.529.0223
04/10/03	06:00pm	04/17/03	55	Stephenson	Daniel Hammerberg	906.497.5094
04/13/03	08:00am	05/04/03	46	Adrian	Douglas Betz	517.265.6560
05/05/03	6:30pm	05/28/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313

Incident Command System

01/04/03	08:00am	01/05/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
01/04/03	09:00am	01/11/03	25	Flint	Gary Bacon	810.640.2000
01/04/03	09:00am	01/12/03	25	Swartz Creek	Dale Caten	810.629.1911
01/09/03	08:00am	01/10/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
01/11/03	8:00am	01/12/03	39	Climax	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
01/13/03	8:00am	01/14/03	61	Muskegon	David Purchase	231.780.2500
01/14/03	02:00pm	03/27/03	17	Sault Ste Marie	Terry Heyns	906.635.2726
01/16/03	08:00am	01/17/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
01/27/03	08:00am	01/28/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
01/30/03	08:00am	01/31/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
02/04/03	08:00am	02/05/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
02/15/03	09:00am	02/16/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
03/04/03	6:00pm	03/11/03	41	Wyoming	Robert Austin	616.530.7252
03/21/03	6:00pm	03/22/03	70	Grand Haven	David Purchase	231.780.2500
04/04/03	09:00am	04/05/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
06/07/03	08:00am	06/08/03	56	Midland	Richard Ripke	989.689.4637

Clandestine Drug Lab - Awareness

12/16/02	6:00pm	12/16/02	70	West Olive	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
01/14/03	08:00am	01/15/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
04/12/03	08:00am	04/12/03	63	Highland	James Crunk	248.887.9050
05/17/03	8:30am	05/17/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313

HEALTH/SAFETY

Fire Fighter Health & Safety

01/11/03	09:00am	01/12/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
04/12/03	08:00am	04/13/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
04/12/03	09:00am	04/13/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
05/17/03	09:00am	05/18/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
05/22/03	09:00am	05/23/03	63	Auburn Hills	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
05/31/03	08:00am	06/01/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473

Health & Safety Officer

01/11/03	8:00am	01/12/03	59	Sidney	Terry Beetley	989.463.0470
03/06/03	8:00am	03/07/03	41	Belmont	David Purchase	231.780.2500
04/19/03	8:00am	04/20/03	37	Mt Pleasant	Chris Coughlin	989.828.6155

Fire Fighter Safety & Survival

02/15/03	09:00am	02/16/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
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Incident Safety Officer

01/07/03	8:00am	01/08/03	61	Muskegon	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/28/03	6:00pm	03/29/03	70	Grand Haven	David Purchase	231.780.2500
06/14/03	08:00am	06/15/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473

INSTRUCTOR DEVELOPMENT

Educational Methodology

01/04/03	8:00am	01/05/03	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572
01/09/03	09:00am	01/10/03	50	Clinton Township	Joseph Boldys	586.498.4021
01/09/03	8:00am	01/10/03	61	Muskegon	David Purchase	231.780.2500
01/11/03	8:00am	01/12/03	70	Grand Haven	David Purchase	231.780.2500
02/08/03	8:00am	02/09/03	33	Okemos	David Harper	517.347.5055
03/29/03	09:00am	03/30/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020

MMFTC Instructor Orientation

01/11/03	09:00am	01/11/03	50	Clinton Twp.	Michael Greis	517.322.3461
01/15/03	6:00pm	01/15/03	41	Grand Rapids	Michael Greis	517.322.3461
02/15/03	8:30am	02/15/03	23	Lansing	Michael Greis	517.322.3461
03/26/03	6:00pm	03/26/03	37	Mt.Pleasant	Michael Greis	517.322.3461
05/10/03	08:30am	05/10/03	74	Port Huron	Michael Greis	517.322.3461

Instructional Techniques for Co. Officer

01/25/03	9:00am	01/26/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
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MANAGER/SUPERVISOR DEVELOPMENT

Records & Reports

12/21/02	08:00am	12/21/02	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
12/21/02	8:00am	12/21/02	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572

Start Date	Time	End Date	Co.	Location	Course Manager	Phone
01/17/03	1:00pm	01/17/03	61	Muskegon	David Purchase	231.780.2500
01/18/03	8:00am	01/18/03	70	Grand Haven	David Purchase	231.780.2500
01/25/03	8:00am	01/25/03	39	Climax	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
02/01/03	09:00am	02/01/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753

Fire Service Supervision - Personal

01/03/03	06:30pm	01/04/03	72	Roscommon	John Patchin	989.859.8258
01/04/03	08:00am	01/05/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
01/10/03	6:00pm	01/11/03	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572
01/11/03	09:00am	01/12/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
01/18/03	09:00am	01/19/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
01/24/03	6:30pm	01/25/03	03	Allegan	Paul Baker	269.673.0468
01/25/03	8:00am	01/26/03	29	Ithaca	Kenneth Smith	810.236.2012
01/31/03	6:00pm	02/01/03	61	Norton Shores	David Purchase	231.780.2500
02/07/03	06:00pm	02/08/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
02/19/03	8:00am	02/20/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/01/03	09:00am	03/02/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
03/21/03	6:00pm	03/22/03	53	Ludington	Steven Johnson	231.845.4488
04/26/03	8:00am	04/27/03	39	Climax	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313

Fire Service Supervision - Team

01/24/03	06:30pm	01/25/03	72	Roscommon	John Patchin	989.859.8258
01/25/03	09:00am	01/26/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
02/01/03	08:00am	02/02/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
02/07/03	6:00pm	02/08/03	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572
02/08/03	09:00am	02/09/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
02/20/03	8:00am	02/21/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
02/21/03	06:00pm	02/22/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
02/21/03	6:30pm	02/22/03	03	Allegan	Paul Baker	269.673.0468
02/22/03	8:00am	02/23/03	29	Ithaca	Kenneth Smith	810.236.2012
03/15/03	09:00am	03/16/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
04/18/03	6:00pm	04/19/03	53	Ludington	Steven Johnson	231.845.4488
04/25/03	6:00pm	04/26/03	61	Norton Shores	David Purchase	231.780.2500
05/10/03	8:00am	05/11/03	39	Climax	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313

Leadership I

01/18/03	09:00am	01/19/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
01/24/03	06:30pm	01/25/03	51	Manistee	Michael Cederholm	231.946.4593
03/08/03	09:00am	03/09/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
03/10/03	8:00am	03/11/03	41	Belmont	David Purchase	231.780.2500
04/11/03	06:00pm	04/12/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
04/26/03	09:00am	04/27/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
05/09/03	08:00am	05/10/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
05/20/03	09:00am	05/21/03	63	Auburn Hills	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580

Leadership II

01/25/03	8:00am	01/26/03	37	Mt Pleasant	Chris Coughlin	989.828.6155
02/01/03	09:00am	02/02/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
02/15/03	08:00am	02/16/03	51	Manistee	Michael Cederholm	231.946.4593
03/12/03	1:00pm	03/13/03	41	Belmont	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/22/03	09:00am	03/23/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
04/26/03	08:00am	04/27/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
05/03/03	09:00am	05/04/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
05/23/03	08:00am	05/24/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
05/27/03	09:00am	05/28/03	63	Auburn Hills	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580

Leadership III

02/15/03	09:00am	02/16/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
03/15/03	08:00am	03/16/03	51	Manistee	Michael Cederholm	231.946.4593
03/15/03	8:00am	03/16/03	37	Mt Pleasant	Chris Coughlin	989.828.6155
03/19/03	1:00pm	03/20/03	41	Belmont	David Purchase	231.780.2500
03/29/03	09:00am	03/30/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
05/17/03	08:00am	05/18/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
05/29/03	09:00am	05/30/03	63	Auburn Hills	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
06/06/03	08:00am	06/07/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
06/07/03	09:00am	06/08/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580

RESCUE

MI Fire Fighters Training Council Registered Training

Start Date	Time	End Date	Co.	Location	Course Manager	Phone
04/11/03	09:00am	04/12/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
Managing Co. Tactical Operations - Decision						
01/18/03	08:00am	01/19/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
01/22/03	8:00am	01/23/03	61	Muskegon	David Purchase	231.780.2500
02/07/03	6:00pm	02/08/03	70	Grand Haven	David Purchase	231.780.2500
04/25/03	09:00am	04/26/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
Managing Co. Tactical Operations - Tactics						
12/21/02	08:00am	12/22/02	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
01/10/03	6:30pm	01/11/03	53	Ludington	Steven Johnson	231.845.4488
01/17/03	6:00pm	01/18/03	03	Otsego	Steven Stevenson	269.673.0572
01/18/03	8:00am	01/19/03	33	Okemos	David Harper	517.347.5055
02/01/03	09:00am	02/02/03	09	University Center	Donald Couturier	989.686.9020
02/10/03	8:00am	02/11/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
02/15/03	08:00am	02/16/03	25	Burton	William Miller	810.635.8000
02/22/03	09:00am	02/23/03	63	Orchard Lake	Michael Sabol	248.232.4580
02/28/03	6:00pm	03/01/03	41	Wyoming	David Purchase	231.780.2500
05/09/03	09:00am	05/10/03	74	Port Huron	John Jeffries	810.989.5753
Chimney Fire Suppression						
12/17/02	7:00pm	12/17/02	18	Lake Station	Gerald Becker	989.539.6559
Introduction To Wildland Fire Suppression						
03/20/03	06:00pm	03/24/03	56	Midland	Richard Ripke	989.689.4637
Wildland Fire Behavior S-190						
01/14/03	07:00pm	01/21/03	72	Roscommon	Leslie Osterland	989.345.0472

Start Date	Time	End Date	Co.	Location	Course Manager	Phone
TERRORISM						
Emerg. Response to Terrorism: Basic Concepts						
01/09/03	6:00pm	01/30/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
01/25/03	08:00am	01/26/03	28	Traverse City	Joe Corden	231.943.3473
04/05/03	09:00am	04/06/03	05	Mancelona	Clifford Boatwright	231.544.8002
Emerg. Resp. To Terrorism: TC-HazMat						
04/10/03	6:00pm	04/24/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
Emerg. Resp. to Terrorism: TC-EMS						
05/08/03	6:00pm	05/29/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
Emerg. Resp. to Terrorism: TC-CO						
01/10/03	6:00pm	01/11/03	41	Wyoming	Robert Austin	616.530.7252
02/06/03	6:00pm	02/27/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313
Emerg. Resp. To Terrorism: SCCO						
01/06/03	08:00am	01/07/03	82	Detroit	William Jones	313.237.3170
02/14/03	8:00am	02/15/03	41	Wyoming	Robert Austin	616.530.7252
03/06/03	6:00pm	03/20/03	39	Kalamazoo	Patrick Butler	269.345.0313

NOTE: A current list of MFFTC Registered Training is also available at www.mfftc.org and is updated weekly.

CPSC Fire Safety Recalls



Halloween Candleholders - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), Kohl's Department Stores Inc., of Menomonee Falls, Wis., is voluntarily recalling about 8,000 Halloween candleholders. Flames from the tea-light candle can ignite the candleholder, posing a fire hazard and risk of burn injuries to consumers.

Kohl's has received two reports of the candleholder igniting, causing smoke and soot

damage to surrounding property. No injuries have been reported.

The recalled Halloween ghost candleholders are about 10-inches tall and are made of acrylic. The ghosts are white and hold a small orange pumpkin in which the tea-light candle sits. Two orange pumpkins are painted along the hem of the ghost. The candleholders were made in China.

Kohl's Department Stores sold the candleholders nationwide

from August 2002 through October 2002 for about \$17.

Consumers should stop using the candleholders immediately and return them to the store where purchased for a refund. For more information, consumers can contact Kohl's toll-free at 800.694.2647 between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. CT Monday through Friday. Consumers can also visit the firm's web site at www.kohls.com.



Snake Lights - In cooperation with the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), The Carlisle Co. Inc., of Carson City, Nev., is voluntarily recalling about 5,000 snake lights. The circuit board in the lamps can overheat and melt the plastic housing, posing a fire or thermal burn hazard to consumers.

The Carlisle Co. has received one report of the plastic base melting, though no injuries have been reported.

The recalled lights were made

in China and have the model number 8311, which can be found on the package. The blue, red, green, or multi-colored lights are about 17 inches in height and have a curved, colored piece of glass (the bulb) that inserts into a black base. When the snake light is turned on it gives off the appearance of "lightning" running through the lamp and into the bulb. "Snake Light" is written on the bottom of the light.

Chuck E. Cheese's restaurants nationwide provided the

lights as a redemption prize from July 2002 through September 2002.

Consumers should stop using these lights immediately, unplug them, and return them to any Chuck E. Cheese restaurant for a replacement prize of the same value. Consumers also can call the Carlisle Co. at 800.233.3931 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. PT Monday through Friday.

Fire Inspector 1 Class Offered

The Kalamazoo Department of Public Safety Fire Marshal's Office and Alticor Protection Services will be sponsoring a Fire Inspector 1 Class in Kalamazoo.

Date: January 6 - January 17, 2003
 Location: Raddison Hotel, Kalamazoo
 Cost: \$600 (includes continental breakfast each morning and lunch on Monday and Friday of each week)

The class will be limited to the first 35 confirmed students. Contact Fire Marshal Marty Myers at 616.337.8285 for application.

Michigan Hazardous Materials Training Center Training Advisory

Applications are now being accepted for the following courses for January 2003. Please contact the Michigan State Police, Hazardous Materials Training Center, for further information at 517.322.1190.

Course Name	Dates	Cost
CAMEO	Jan 6-7	\$195
Air Monitoring for Hazardous Materials	Jan 6-8	\$245
Hazardous Materials Sampling	Jan 9-10	\$195
Terrorism Awareness	Jan 11	Free
Explosive Recognition	Jan 12	\$50
Chemistry I	Jan 13-15	\$295
MARPLLOT	Jan 16-17	\$195
Terrorism Operations Level	Jan 18-19	\$150
Terrorism Technician Level	Jan 21-23	\$195
IMS for WMD	Jan 22-23	\$150
Hospital Decon Train-the-Trainer	Jan 27-30	\$245
HAZWOPER 8 hr. Refresher	Jan 31	\$95

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Contact: Chief Paul Trinka at 517.264.4879.

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Calendar of Events

DECEMBER

- 3 **MI Arson Prevention Committee**, Executive Committee, Brighton
- 5 **MI Fire Service EXPO Committee**, 9:00 a.m., General Office Building, Conf. Rm B, Lansing
- 5 **MI Joint Fire Service Council**, 10:30 a.m., General Office Building, Conf. Rm. B, Lansing
- 11 **MI Fire Service Instructors**, Location TBA
- 11 **MI Fire Fighters Training Council**, 9:00 a.m. Work Session, 10:00 a.m. Business Meeting, General Office Building, Conf. Room B, Lansing

JANUARY 2003

- 16 **MI Fire Service EXPO Committee**, 9:00 a.m., General Office Building, Conf. Rm B, Lansing
- 16 **MI Joint Fire Service Council**, 10:30 a.m., General Office Building, Conf. Rm. B, Lansing
- 16 **Northern MI Fire Chiefs**, Executive Board
- 18 **MI State Firemen's Association**, Business Meeting, Kentwood
- 22 **MI Association of Fire Chiefs**, Executive Board, Battle Creek
- 29 **Southeastern MI Fire Chiefs**, Executive Board, 10:00 a.m., Troy Training Center

FEBRUARY 2003

- 20 **MI Fire Service EXPO Committee**, 9:00 a.m., General Office Building, Conf. Rm B, Lansing
- 20 **MI Joint Fire Service Council**, 10:30 a.m., General Office Building, Conf. Rm. B, Lansing
- 26 **Southeastern MI Fire Chiefs**, Executive Board, 10:00 a.m., Troy Training Center

To submit activities for this calendar, call Colleen Mohr at 517.322.1750 Fax 517.322.2908 or mohrc@michigan.gov

"Quote of the Month"

"You give but little when you give of your possessions. It is when you give of yourself that you truly give."

Kahlil Gibran

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